

by the host. **Thou . . . with shame . . . the lowest place** (Rev. Ver.) humiliated before all the other guests.

10, 11. Sit down in the lowest place (Rev. Ver.); out of true humility, not in the expectation of being promoted. **Friend, go up higher.** The host calls the guests nearer to himself. **Have worship**; be honored. **Exalted himself . . . abased . . . humbled himself . . . exalted.** Not the proud, but the lowly, are worthy of honor in God's sight.

III. JESUS AND THE HOST.—12-14. Jesus now turns to His host, and bids him, when he makes a dinner or a supper, to invite, not those who can repay him, but those who can give nothing in return. Doing this, he will be recompensed (rewarded) at the resurrection; when the just (the righteous) enter into eternal happiness. By his kindness to the needy he will win for himself a share in this joy.

DAILY READINGS

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M.—Jesus dines with a Pharisee, Luke 14 : 1-14.
T.—Coveting chief seats, Mark 12 : 38-44. **W.**—The proud humbled, Isa. 2 : 10-17. **Th.**—The humble exalted, Matt. 23 : 1-12. **F.**—Better than an ox. Luke 13 : 11-17. **S.**—Solomon's advice, Prov. 25 : 1-7. **S.**—Right thoughts of self, Rom. 12 : 1-10.

Prove from Scripture—That Christ's followers should be humble.

Shorter Catechism—Review Questions 20-23.

The Question on Missions—28. What is the Trinidad Mission doing for the young? There are 56 day schools, with nearly 6,000 pupils on the Quarterly Roll, and an average daily attendance of 3,123. There are 78 Sunday Schools, with 3,657 scholars enrolled, and 2,247 of an average attendance.

Lesson Hymns—Book of Praise, 251 (Supplemental Lesson); 544; 168; 7 (Ps. Sel.); 577 (from PRIMARY QUARTERLY); 161.

FOR FURTHER STUDY

Juniors—What city had Jesus visited?

1, 2 To whose home was He now invited? On what day? Who besides were invited? Who watched Jesus? With what object?

3-6 Who was brought before Jesus? How had this man come to be there? What question did Jesus ask the lawyers? How did they meet it? What was Jesus' answer?

7-11 What had Jesus noticed? Why did they act in such a manner? What advice did Jesus give them? Who are worthy of honor in God's sight?

12-14 To whom did Jesus now speak? What kind of persons did Jesus tell him to invite to his feasts? Could these give him anything in return? What would be his reward? When would he receive it?

Seniors and the Home Department—Give some account of Jesus' visit to Jerusalem.

1-6 What instances does Luke give of Jesus' visiting the homes of Pharisees? Mention miracles which Jesus wrought on the Sabbath. (Matt. 12 : 10-13; Mark 1 : 21-34; Luke 4 : 38, 39; 13 : 10-16; 14 : 1-6; John 5 : 5-11; 9 : 1-14.)

7-11 How did Jesus on this occasion teach humility? What example did He afterwards give? (John 13 : 1-15.) What does Peter say about humility? (1 Pet. 5 : 5.)

12-14 In what sort of people was Jesus specially interested? Whom should we help? What will be our reward? (Matt. 25 : 34-40.)

THE LESSON IN LIFE

1. We never read of Jesus refusing an invitation. He is a willing, kindly Guest in all sorts of homes. But we must count on plain speech from Him if we entertain Him. We cannot be comfortable in His presence if we harbor impure or unkindly thoughts and purposes.

2. Goodness is always a winner. Jesus, so gentle and so kind, is more than a match for the mean, suspicious lawyers and Pharisees. As surely as the sun melts the ice in the spring, will purity and truth overcome all opposition. Even the vilest bow to innocence.

3. "Humble we must be, if to heaven we go;
High is the roof there, but the door is low."

4. At a certain college commencement the name of one brilliant student was read out as the winner of prize after prize. By and by he was missed from his place. He had slipped quietly away from applause of the crowd. He did not seek the chief seat.

5. The bird that sings on highest wing,
Builds on the ground her lowly nest;
And she that doth most sweetly sing,
Sings in the shade when all things rest :
In lark and nightingale we see
What honor hath humility.

—Montgomery.

FOR WRITTEN ANSWERS

1. What miracle of healing did Jesus work?

2. What lesson did He teach the guests?

3. What counsel did He give His host?